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Table 1.—Free-air temperatures, relative humidities, and vapor pressure during July, 1925

TEMPERATURE (° C.).

TABLE 1.—Free-air temperatures, relative humidities, and vapor pressure during July, 1925—Continued

RELATIVE HUMIDITY (%)-Continued

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Table 2.—Free-air resultant winds (m. p. s.) during July, 1925

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THE WEATHER ELEMENTS

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PRESSURE AND WINDS

The distinctive feature of the atmospheric pressure during July was the persistence of anticyclonic conditions, which produced, however, in different portions of the month almost opposite effects upon the weather over large areas of the country.

During the first half of the month anticyclones had their origin mainly over the western interior and moved slowly eastward over the Central and Southern States. This distribution favored warm weather over most of the country from the Rocky Mountains eastward, with frequent thundershowers and local high winds, particularly over the Central States, from the 12th to the 16th.

Beginning with the middle of the month and continuing until the close, anticyclones entered the United States at frequent intervals from the Canadian Northwest, and, moving eastward mainly over the Northern States, favored changes to cooler weather over all northern and central districts. During this period showers still prevailed in many northern and central districts, and local high winds were rather frequent, particularly about the 24th to the 26th from the middle plains eastward to Pennsylvania and Maryland.

The cyclones were of the ordinary summer type, though fewer in number and mainly less well defined than usual. No single cyclone materially influenced precipitation over any extensive path, save in a few cases along the northern border, and on the 26th to 28th when a low pressure area moved along the coast from North Carolina, passing east of New England attended by moderate to locally heavy rains.

The average barometric pressure was relatively high over the Gulf and South Atlantic Coast States, and in the upper Missouri Valley and the far Northwest, and relatively low over the Canadian Maritime Provinces, and the far Southwest.

Average pressures were below normal over the greater part of the country from the Mississippi Valley eastward, the largest deficiencies occurring from the southern Appalachian Mountains northward to Ontario.

From the Great Plains westward to the Pacific the average pressure was mainly above normal, the largest excesses appearing over the central Rocky Mountains

and northern Great Plains.

Pressure was higher than during June over all central and western districts of both the United States and Canada, and lower over the eastern third of both countries, a condition not unusual, except that the positive changes from June to July in the Great Plains and Rocky Mountain regions and the negative changes in eastern districts were both materially larger than usual.

The prevailing winds were mainly southerly from the middle and southern Plains eastward to the Atlantic coast and thence northward to New England, also over much of the Ohio Valley and lower Lake regions.

From the Dakotas eastward to the upper Lakes the prevailing winds were mainly from northerly points. Elsewhere they were variable. The details of the more important storms of the month follow at the end of this section.

TEMPERATURE

The first two weeks of July, 1925, were hot over the greater part of the country, save during the first week in parts of the Southwest, from the upper Lakes to New England, and over the north Pacific coast. second week was particularly warm in the central valleys, Great Plains and northern Plateau regions, where weekly means ranged from 5° to 10° above normal, and maximum temperatures were above 100° at many points in the Great Plains and Southwest.

During the third week temperatures continued high from the Rocky Mountains westward, and over the Southern Great Plains, where the weekly means ranged up to 10° above normal, and maximum temperatures were frequently above 100°. From the Missouri and middle Mississippi Valleys eastward this week brought muchneeded relief from the severe heat of the preceding weeks and the weekly averages were mainly lower than normal.

The last decade experienced important and gratifying changes in temperature, the period as a whole averaging mainly cooler than normal over the middle and northern sections, and moderately warmer than normal in the more southerly sections. The month as a whole was moderately warmer than is usual in July over the entire southern half of the country, and from the central Plains and northern Rocky Mountains westward to the Pacific except in extreme northwest Washington.

In the southern Appalachian Mountain regions, the southern Plains States, and from Nevada and Utah northward to Idaho and eastern Washington the month

was decidedly warm.
From the Dakotas and upper Mississippi Valley eastward to the Ohio Valley and Northeastern States, there was much delightfully cool weather, the monthly averages being below normal, and materially so from the lower Lakes to New England.

In a few sections, notably in the western parts of the Carolinas, in northern Georgia, and in portions of the northern Plateau regions and in southern California the monthly means of temperature were among the highest on record.

In a number of the Northwestern States July makes the seventh consecutive month with average tempera-

tures above normal.

Maximum temperatures were 100 or above at some time during the month in all the States, save New England, New Jersey, and Wisconsin. They were above 120° at points in Arizona and California, and 110° or above in practically all other States from and including the Great Plains westward. At numerous points west of the Rocky Mountains and over the southern Great Plains the maximum temperatures were the highest of record for July, and locally in California. Arizona and some other western sections they were the highest ever observed. In portions of California the unusual heat near the middle of the month caused several deaths, many prostrations, some damage to fruits and vegetables, and a general suspension of activities.

The warmest days were mainly during the first week from the Mississippi River eastward, except in the Gulf States, and about the middle of the month in the lower Mississippi Valley and from the Great Plains westward, except in Oregon and Washington where the warmest weather occurred on the 31st.

Minimum temperatures were at or near the freezing point on several occasions during the last decade in the more northern States and at exposed points in both the eastern and western mountain districts, and light frosts were observed as far south as northwestern Nebraska.

At Duluth, Minn., the minimum temperature on the 29th was the lowest of record for July, and the nights were unseasonably cool during much of the latter part of the month in the Northeastern States.

PRECIPITATION

Precipitation for the country as a whole was more or less scanty, and while considerable areas had more than the normal fall, these in the main comprised States with large surface areas but having normally only small amounts of precipitation in July, and hence the total precipitation deposited during the month was far less than normal. The deficiencies in the monthly totals were large over the south Atlantic and portions of the East Gulf States, notably in the Carolinas, northern Georgia, southern Florida and much of Tennessee. Texas had a large deficiency over the central and eastern districts, and precipitation was generally deficient to a considerable extent in the eastern Great Plains, the middle and upper Mississippi Valley, the upper Missouri Valley and the far Northwest.

There was a substantial excess of precipitation over New Jersey, much of Pennsylvania and New York, and generally over southern and northwestern New England. Otherwise than as noted it was mainly not far from

normal save in a few small areas.

Generally speaking, precipitation was well distributed through the month over the areas where considerable amounts usually fall, thus in a way mitigating the harmful effect in localities where the falls were less than The moderately cool weather during the latter half of the month over most central and eastern districts also lessened evaporation, compensating in some degree the deficiency in precipitation.

Some unusually heavy rains occurred, notably in the vicinity of Dubuque, Iowa, on the 3d and 4th, causing damage amounting to \$50,000 or more, also at Detroit, Mich., on the night of July 31-August 1, where much

damage resulted from flooding.

The total fall was unusually heavy in portions of Pennsylvania; Nevada as a whole, had the second wettest July of record. On the other hand the monthly amounts in the Carolinas and Georgia were the least of record, or among the least, for July, in a period of nearly 50 years.

At the end of the month severe drought existed in the southern Appalachian region, and the lack of water for power and other purposes was becoming acute. In parts of western and northern Louisiana, and over much of Texas, drought has continued for many months, and the high temperature and excessive sunshine greatly intensified the injurious effects of deficient soil moisture.

SNOWFALL

As far as reports received indicate, no snow fell except at a few points in the high mountains of Colorado.

RELATIVE HUMIDITY

Over the greater part of the country relative humidity was less than normal, the deficiencies being large south of the Ohio River, in the area between the Mississippi River and the Rocky Mountains, and over most of the far Northwest. In portions of Washington it was abnormally low on the 18th and 19th when values of only 4 or 5 per cent were reported at several points.

There were moderate excesses generally from the upper Mississippi Valley eastward, and over the middle and southern Rocky Mountain and Plateau regions,

and locally over the Pacific Coast States.

SEVERE LOCAL WIND AND HAIL STORMS, JULY, 1925

[The table herewith contains such data as have been received concerning severe local storms that occurred during the month. A more complete statement will appear in the Annual Report of the Chief of Bureau]

Place	Date	Time	Width of path (yards) 1	Loss of life	Value of property destroyed	Character of storm	Remarks	Authority		
Pocatello, Idaho	1	P. m				l and hail	Streets flooded; 2 horses killed	Official, U.S. Weather Bureau.		
Salt Lake City, Utah (vicin- ity of).	1			1		Thunderstorm	Considerable property damage	Do.		
Chattanooga, Tenn., and	. 3	12.55 p. m.				Thunderstorm and rain.	Some trees damaged, others blown down; tele- phone service crippled.	Chattanooga Times.		
Thomaston, Ga. (5 miles west of).	3	3.30 p. m	1	1		and wind.	Loss to neaches over noth 2 miles long, other	Official, U.S. Weather Bureau.		
Benton County, Iowa Dubuque, Iowa	3 3	4.30 p. m 5 p. m			50,000	Hail. Wind and heavy	minor damage. Crop loss about 25 per cent. Extensive damage to buildings; trees blown down; basements flooded; traffic obstructed.	Do. Do.		
Rockford, Ill	3	5.45 p. m	1, 760		5, 000	rain. Thundersquall	down; basements hooded; traine costructed. Roofs, windows, and trees damaged; 2 persons injured.	Do.		
Brooklyn, Wis. Between Belleville and Mon-	3 3	6.30 p. m P. m	1, 760		1,000	Wind Violent wind	Damage principally to siles and poles	Do. Capital Times (Medison		
ticello, Wis. Hazelhurst, Ga	3					High wind	damaged. Schoolhouse, trees, and poles blown down	Capital Times (Madison, Wis.). Official, U. S. Weather		
Scottsville, Kans Between Pocatello and Mink	4	1-2 a. m Noon	440			Heavy hail Tornado	Cloud moved northward; did not reach ground;	Bureáu. Do. Do.		
Creek, Idaho. Jackson, Tenn. (near)	4	2.15 p. m			<u></u>	Wind	observed 20 minutes. Barn blown down; trees uprooted	Do.		
vicinity.	4	i	1	1	1	Thunderstorm and hail. Violent wind	Crops damaged in small area; about 200 tele- phones out of order. Path 1 mile long	Greenville News (S. C.).		
Wichita, Kans. (near) Eastern Cherry and north-	6	3 p. m 4.45-5 p.m.			l	Hail	Windows broken, roofs damaged, and crops more	Official, U.S. Weather Bureau. Do.		
western Brown Counties, Nebr.		_	i	l			or less harmed over small area.			
Washington County, Md	6	5 p. m		1	į.	Thundergust	uprooted: fences blown down.	Do.		
Cherokee, Jasper, Johnson, and Appanoose Counties, Iowa.	6	8 or 9 p. m.	4-6 mi.		150,000	Wind and hail	Crop loss estimated at 80 per cent. Heavy property damage.	Do.		
Dysart, Iowa, and vicinity McPherson County, Kans	6 6	P. m P. m		<u>ī</u> -		Hail Violent wind	Considerable crop loss reported	Do. Do.		
Paducah, Tex. (near)	7	4 p. m	50	- -	12,000	Small tornado	Houses and farm property damaged. One per-	Do.		
Windsor, Conn	7				25,000	Thunderstorm and hail.	Tobacco and corn crops injured, 500 acres hail cut. Minor property damage.	Do.		
Woodbury County, Iowa Cherokee County, Iowa	8 8	4 p. m 7 p. m	880 3 mi.		10, 000 75, 000	Hail Wind and hail	son injured. Tobacco and corn crops injured, 500 acres hail cut. Minor property damage. Heavy crop damage; no other losses reported Heavy crop loss; many buildings and windmills damaged; poles split. Severe crop damage.	Do. Do.		
Kent County, Del. (north part of).	8	7 p. m	. .	- -		Heavy hail	Severe crop damage	Do.		
Marathon County, Wis	8	7-7.45 p.m.	2) ś mi	 -	75, 000	Heavy hail and wind.	Farm buildings and crops extensively damaged.	Do.		
Lakota, Iowa	8	P. m				Wind	Two homes wrecked; wires blown down and trees prostrated; much crop loss; 5 persons injured.	Do.		
Minneapolis-St. Paul and vi- cinity, Minn.	8	P. m	1		•	rain and hail.	Buildings damaged; basements flooded and crops injured by hail; 18 persons injured. Damage over path about 10 miles long estimated	Pioneer (St. Paul, Minn.).		
Whiting, Iowa	8	P. m			1	Hail	at 50 per cent.	Official, United States Weather Bureau.		
Webster City to Fort Dodge, Iowa. Blanca, Colo	9	P. m 2.30–3 p.m.			ì	Wind	over; crops flattened.	Do. Do.		
Western, N. Y	10	A. m	i		'	Electrical and rain	windows broken. Several farm buildings struck by lightning causing loss of stock, hay, wheat and some farm	Democrat Chronicle (Rechester, N. Y.).		
Millen, Ga	11	3 p. m				Thunderstorm,	machinery. Some trees uprooted; house struck by lightning	Official. United States		
Sturgeon Bay, Wis	11	4 p. m					and burned. Several buildings in business section damaged;	Weather Bureau. Press Gazette (Green Bay,		
Lane, Mont. (near)	12		1 mi.			Wind and hail	2 persons injured. Crops damaged; several small buildings de-	Wis.). Record - Herald (Helens.		

¹ Mi, signifies miles, instead of yards.